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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. **1346**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to state government; recognizing the Dakota and Ojibwe indigenous  
1.3 languages in the state of Minnesota; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota  
1.4 Statutes, chapter 10.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **[10.597] INDIGENOUS HERITAGE LANGUAGES.**

1.7 The official indigenous languages in the state are Dakota and Ojibwe. The state recognizes  
1.8 that the indigenous heritage languages of Native Americans are an integral part of their  
1.9 culture and identity. It is in the interest of the state of Minnesota and Tribal Nations in the  
1.10 state to promote and preserve the Dakota and Ojibwe languages.